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1. Jose Rodriguez Aguilara, member of the Central Committee of the Partido Comunista de Venezuela (PCV) prior to its dissolution in May 1950 and an active agitator among oil workers in the State of Zulia, has been a member of the PCV since 1946. In that year he was Organizational Secretary of the Party in Lagunillas. In that same year he attended the V National Conference of the PCV as a representative from Trujillo, State of Trujillo.
2. Official election lists show that Rodriguez was a candidate for deputy from Zulia on the PCV ticket in the 1947 national elections. In 1948 he was a PCV candidate in the municipal elections in Distrito Bolivar, State of Zulia, and a member of the PCV committee of Lagunillas. In August 1948 at the II National Congress of the PCV he was made a member of the Central Committee. In 1948 and 1950 he was Secretary-General of the PCV Zulia Regional Committee. He was a PCV representative to the World Peace Conference in Mexico City in 1949. Rodriguez' address, in February 1950, was reported to be Calle Garcia No. 4, between Andes and Amparo Streets, Maracaibo.
3. Rodriguez was a delegate to the III General Congress of the CTML which was held in March 1948 in Mexico City.* During the Congress plans were discussed concerning what action should be taken to guarantee that Mexican oil would be withheld from the United States in event of war. Rodriguez was quoted as stating that such plans were "well advanced" in Venezuela.
4. In September 1950 it was reported that Rodriguez was in communication with Peruvian Communists for the purpose of urging them to join in a campaign to have petroleum workers in the oil producing countries of Latin America take a united stand against the current war in Korea.**

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Comment. The Peruvian Communists with whom Rodriguez was reportedly in communication were not identified. However, Aprista workers in the northern Peruvian oil area have observed that Communist workers were spreading word-of-mouth propaganda to the effect that oil workers in Peru should organize a "labor

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boycott" against the war in Korea. The Marxist-line Socialists in the newly-elected Peruvian congress, who control the majority of Peruvian oil workers, have been among the most outspoken critics of Peru's policy of supporting the United States' action in Korea. Rodriguez' background would indicate that he would be apt to be undertaking the [REDACTED]. The PCV has not yet called for any specific activities by oil workers, although its clandestine paper, Tribuna Popular, has stressed the slogan "Hands off Korea".

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